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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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HON. R. HARCOURT spoke as follows :—

Mr. Speaker :—

The year 1892, like so many of the preceding years, reveals nothing very surprising or unusual touching the finances of the Province of Ontario.

A careful examination of the record will disclose the same zealous regard for strictest economy in every department of the public service, and the same liberal measure of assistance to every deserving public object which have always been the chief characteristics of the financial administration of the government of Sir Oliver Mowat during his long tenure of office.

The past year's record, like those before it, will further disclose the highly satisfactory condition of the finances of the Province, and the closer the scrutiny the more apparent will be the evidences of a state of affairs eminently calculated to inspire, in the highest degree, hope and confidence.

Viewed absolutely and without the slightest reference to other provinces or countries, our financial condition is singularly strong and healthy. Viewed relatively, comparing our position with that of many other countries, which, in the matter of incurring enormous obligations and heaping up serious burdens of debt, have treated prosperity as a pack-horse ever ready to be loaded, we may well regard it with great pride and thankfulness.

I expect, Mr. Speaker, in the somewhat brief explanation I am about to give of our finances, to be able to fully justify my hopeful view of their condition.

As on former occasions, avoiding the harsh tone of mere party controversy, I will attempt as best I can, fully to explain such matters as we all consider to be of first importance, and with this view I have placed in the hands of honourable members printed tabulated statements which will, I hope, tend to facilitate enquiry and discussion. I do this, remembering that however we may differ as to this or that matter of public policy, we all have a common aim in earnestly striving to preserve our present strong financial position, and a common desire as well to promote and secure, in every way possible, the highest public good.

As heretofore, I will, having first reviewed the receipts and expenditures of last year, comment briefly upon our present assets and liabilities, and in closing, furnish to the House our estimate in outline of the receipts and expenditures of the present year.

RECEIPTS, 1892.

SUBSIDY	\$1,116,872 80	
SPECIFIC GRANT	80,000 00	
		\$1,196,872 80
INTEREST ON CAPITAL HELD, AND DEBTS DUE BY THE DOMINION TO ONTARIO	300,000 00	
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	36,739 31	
		336,739 31
CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT :—		
Crown Lands	32,159 38	
Railway Lands	1,627 92	
Clergy Lands	4,571 52	
Common School Lands	11,579 01	
Grammar School Lands	1,117 20	
Rent <i>re</i> Lands	18,700 75	
Woods and Forests	2,174,591 38	
Board of Surveyors	133 50	
Cullers' Fees	716 25	
Casual Fees	542 72	
Refunds	7,232 64	
		2,252,972 27
ALGOMA TAXES		4,172 55
LAW STAMPS		91,617 56
LICENSES		294,757 98
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT		47,949 68

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS REVENUE:—

Toronto Lunatic Asylum.....	\$37,887 65
London “.....	16,941 87
Hamilton “.....	14,946 06
Kingston “.....	4,264 31
Orillia “.....	2,955 52
Reformatory for Females.....	2,484 99
“ Boys.....	717 50
Central Prison.....	56,033 54
Deaf and Dumb Institute.....	75 00
Institution for the Blind.....	100 00

\$136,406 44

CASUAL REVENUE:—

Provincial Secretary's Department.....	11,207 50
Provincial Registrar's Branch.....	175 50
Registrar-General's Branch.....	135 00
Fines, etc.....	1,779 04
Surrogate Court Fees.....	3,937 10
Division “ “.....	8,666 19
Insurance Companies' Fees.....	825 00
“ “ Assessments.....	2,769 01
“ Corporations' Act....	12,996 84
Land Titles Office.....	1,092 41
Offices of Local Masters.....	1,151 00
Official Gazette.....	7,191 30
Private Bills.....	5,755 12
Statutes.....	2,394 81
Consolidated Rules of Practice.....	4 50
Succession Act.....	758 53
Removal of Patients.....	5,260 30
Shooting Licenses.....	1,375 25
Fishing Licenses.....	484 00
Refunds.....	180 33
Incidentals.....	2,118 30

70,257 03

TORONTO LUNATIC ASYLUM. Sale of Lands.....	2,266 20
MERCER REFORMATORY—CAPITAL ACCOUNT. Refunds <i>re</i> Expenditure	1,744 35
MIMICO FARM “.....	1,644 00
BLIND INSTITUTION..... “.....	694 77
DRAINAGE WORKS ASSESSMENTS.....	12,910 45
NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS FUND.....	6,472 87

\$4,457,478 27

DRAINAGE DEBENTURES.....	39,682 09
“ TILE.....	5,755 00
SALE OF ANNUITIES ..	160,006 21

\$4,662,921 57

Our first two items of receipts, namely, the Dominion subsidy and specific grant, remain unchanged from year to year. The next item of \$300,000, representing Interest on capital held and debts due by the Dominion to Ontario, has remained unchanged since 1890. These three items we receive in half-yearly payments.

Our receipts under the head of Interest on investments is less than that of last year by \$4,800.

We received, of course, as much interest as we did other years on our drainage debentures and our Dominion bonds, viz., about \$29,000.

The decrease is due to the fact that our bank deposits from month to month were less than those of 1891.

We expect to receive this year under this head a larger sum than we have received for several years past, since our interest-bearing credit balances at the banks will, from month to month, be larger than heretofore.

TIMBER SALES.

Our total receipts from the Crown Lands Department last year amounted to \$2,252,972, the largest sum ever received in any one year by the Province from this source. The largest previous receipt was \$1,437,372, being that of the year 1873.

The largest item of this extraordinarily large receipt is, as usual, that of woods and forests, and it reached its unprecedented proportions because of our timber sale of October last.

I will be permitted, if not expected, to devote a few minutes to so important an item.

Since Confederation we have had eleven timber sales. During the term of the Sandfield-Macdonald Government there were four, one each year of the term.

The average price per mile realized at these four sales was \$380, the total mileage sold being 635, and the highest price paid per mile being \$640.

There was one sale in 1872, while Mr. Blake was Premier, the mileage sold being 5,031, the average price paid per mile being \$118, and the highest price per mile \$1,000.

During the twenty years' Premiership of the Attorney-General there have been six sales, the total mileage sold being 4,234, the average price per mile being \$1,412, and the highest price per mile \$17,500.

While all the sales of the Mowat Government have been very successful, this last one has been pre-eminently successful. Even the very high expectations of the Commissioner of Crown Lands were much more than realized.

The mileage sold was 633, the total price realized \$2,315,000, the average price per mile \$3,657 and the highest price per mile \$17,500. The best average price per mile theretofore obtained was \$2,859, and the highest price per mile ever paid before was \$6,300. The average price per mile at the last sale exceeded the best previous average by \$798. When we remember, Sir, that these immense prices were paid merely as a bonus for a yearly license to cut the timber and that the purchasers, in addition thereto, will continue for several years to pay large sums by way of dues and ground rent, the real magnitude of the transaction can be best appreciated. The Government dues per thousand feet, board measure, remained at 75c., and the ground rent at \$2 per mile from 1869 to 1885, inclusive. In 1887 the dues were increased to \$1 and the ground rent to \$3. In 1891 the dues were increased to \$1.25 and the ground rent remained at \$3. The Commissioner is to be congratulated on the unprecedented success of his last sale. The results prove conclusively that the time selected was most opportune, and its signal success fully vindicates in every way the wise policy of his department. The demand for lumber at the time was unusually brisk, the export duty had been taken off, the import duty was small, and large sums of money at low rates of interest were readily available for any promising investment.

EXTINCTION OF THE FORESTS.

It will be earnestly argued, doubtless, by some hon. gentleman opposite that the extinction of our pine forests is near at hand and a very gloomy picture of remotely possible consequences will be presented to us. Precisely similar statements have been made at intervals for many years past, and yet the dread predictions seem to be as far from fulfilment as ever. It is a somewhat singular thing that men who constantly, in season and out of season, boast of their optimism and who take a cheerful view as to most subjects, the finances of the Dominion and its rapidly increasing debt and expenditures included, should become alarmists when discussing the question of our finances or of our forest wealth. We are at once reminded that in 1866 a book written in Eng-

land by a Mr. Jevons created such a sensation as to almost startle the whole community. In his book, and he had, as usual, high scientific authority to support him, he prophesied that in a short time the whole available supply of coal in England would cease, that with it her manufacturing supremacy would depart, that capital and labor would leave the country and that all the burden of the national debt would become charged against the land. The absurd exaggeration of this gloomy picture was soon afterwards universally admitted, even by the alarmists themselves. England's commercial supremacy never solely depended upon her cheap coal, and the day of its exhaustion is yet far distant. Equally gloomy views have been advanced these many years concerning the timber areas of the United States, and while it may be true that the Michigan forests are noticeably failing, it is equally true that so far as this generation is concerned, at any rate, the timber supply of Wisconsin and Minnesota, not to speak of that of various other parts of the United States, will prove inexhaustible. Some allowance must be made for the growth of the timber, which, while it is slow, is, as all experts testify, a very important factor in any reasonable estimate of forest productiveness.

We are compelled to place timber areas under license from time to time as the settlement of this country demands, and also—and this is a very important consideration—in anticipation of railway construction.

A single forest fire in a few days would prove more destructive than all our lumber camps combined through an entire season. If portions of our timber territory had not been from time to time placed under license, in all human probability large and very valuable areas of it would have been long since wholly destroyed by fire. The Crown Lands Department is very energetic and vigilant in its precautions and measures against fire, and the limit-holders and the lumbermen having a common interest in order to guard their own property, render great assistance in securing the best means of protection. Even now two rival railways are locating their lines westward from the Ottawa through a portion of the territory placed under license last October.

MANUFACTURE OF LOGS.

Some there are who, while they rejoice in the high prices realized at the sale, complain that the Commissioner should have made it a condition that the logs should be manufactured into lumber in this

Province, and not exported. In the discussion of this question, the following, amongst other considerations, are, I think, important. Even if the logs were exported the cost of taking them out and driving them to the mouth of the streams and rivers would represent nearly, perhaps fully, 85 per cent. of the total cost of the lumber if the logs were manufactured within the Province. So that about one-half of the total cost of the lumber must in any event, with restriction as to manufacture or without it, be spent as wages for labor within the Province. Further, the fact that 551 miles out of the 633 miles sold at the last sale passed into the hands of Canadian manufacturers furnishes us with a strong guarantee that most of the timber on these berths in any event will be manufactured within the Province, and therefore renders restriction unnecessary. The great bulk of our lumber must find a market in other countries. Only the higher grades will stand the cost of ocean transportation, and this trade is very limited. The surplus of the better grades, and all the coarser grades, the relative proportion of which is increasing every year, must, outside of mere local requirements, find a market in the United States. Restriction as to manufacture would probably lead to a re-imposition of the old import duty of \$2 per thousand on lumber. This import duty would tend to prevent our manufacturers from supplying the United States market with a large quantity of coarse lumber which now finds its way there at remunerative prices. In this way a serious injury to the trade would arise, which would outweigh ten times over any good which could result from a restriction upon the manufacture of our logs. The lumber business can only prosper when the entire product, the coarser as well as the better grades, can find a ready market. To limit the market is to shut down the mills, and thus injure the thousands who under favorable conditions find ready employment in them. Other considerations might be urged, but the main consideration, I submit, Mr. Speaker, is this, that in the general interest, in the interest of the whole community, it was the plain duty and the first consideration of the Commissioner to secure as best he could keenest competition and consequently highest prices.

AMOUNT OF BONUSES.

The total amount received as bonuses from the six timber sales of the Mowat Government during the past twenty years is \$5,095,102. The same government during the same period of time has given grants in

aid of railways to the amount of \$5,433,284 ; grants for educational purposes, such as public, separate and high schools, amounting to \$10,950,000 ; grants to defray the maintenance of our public institutions, aggregating \$11,277,209, not to speak of other similar large appropriations, each of them materially lightening the burden of the municipalities. To so great an extent have we been year by year doing what may be well considered as purely municipal work. More than one of the other Provinces have so regarded it in practice. The yearly revenue from our Crown Lands, woods and forests, always large, though fluctuating not a little from time to time, responding very accurately as it does to the condition of the lumber trade, has enabled us to add liberally year by year to our large grants to education, agriculture, asylums, hospitals and charities, etc., as well as to aid railway construction, and thus afford a great measure of relief to the local municipalities of Province. It has been both prudent and necessary occasionally to draw on our timber resources, devoting the proceeds to maintain and increase the grants referred to, and at the same time avert the serious risks of forest destruction by fire incident to advancing settlement and railway construction. All our limits have been, without any exception, sold at public auction, and, as the prices we have realized testify, the competition has been invariably keen. This, we all contend, is the only justifiable mode of disposing of such valuable assets. Wherever a different practice has prevailed, the public treasury has, as a natural consequence, greatly suffered. For example, in Quebec more than one-half of the limits sold since Confederation (966 out of a total of 1,723, excluding those sold in 1892), have been disposed of by private sale. The total mileage sold in Quebec has been six times as large as that sold in Ontario. The total amount received by way of bonus in Ontario has been nearly eight times as large as that received in Quebec. A similar contrast strikingly in favor of our management is presented, whether we consider methods or results in connection with sales of land and timber by the Dominion Government. The amount received up to the close of 1892 on account of the sale of October last was \$1,229,483, and the amount outstanding at the same date was \$1,085,516.

Our receipt from Algoma taxes is, it will be noticed, somewhat larger than that of last year, and considerably larger than those of the three previous years.

From Law stamps we received \$91,617, and this is our largest receipt from this source during a period of twenty years. In the office at Osgoode Hall alone stamps were sold last year to the amount of \$3,000 more than the previous year.

LIQUOR LICENSE REVENUE.

Our receipts from liquor licenses for the financial year have fallen somewhat below my estimate. We expected to receive \$300,000; we did receive \$294,758. The license year 1889-1890 was the first year since 1882 in which all the counties were under license, the Scott Act having been previously repealed in every district where it had been given a trial. Since 1889-1890 our receipts have regularly decreased. In 1890 we received \$312,007, in 1891 we received \$298,184, and in 1892 we received \$294,758. The falling off is due, of course, to the decrease in the number of licenses issued. In 1889-1890 the number of licenses of all kinds issued was 3,560; the following year it was 3,523, and the last license year, 3,424, a reduction of 99 in a single year. We will in all probability receive still less revenue this year, and if the shrinkage in revenue is a sure indication of sound temperance principles, none of us will deplore it. Our local option law has not as yet proved a large factor in diminishing the number of licenses. In 1892 by-laws were submitted in fourteen municipalities, and carried in five of them. Up to the close of last year local option was voted upon in thirty-five municipalities, in twenty-two of which it carried. In fifteen municipalities, however, the Courts have quashed the by-laws, so that its field of operation is as yet very narrow. During the present license year it cuts off only seventeen licenses. There has been a marked reduction in the number of licenses in recent years. For example, while we had in the Province in 1882, 4,163 licenses, we had only 3,414 in 1892—a reduction of 749 licenses in ten years. We compare very favorably with other places in this regard. In the city of Montreal, for instance there are 167 more liquor licenses than in Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, London, Kingston, and our six other cities all combined. In our eleven cities there are 207 retail liquor shops, while in Montreal alone there are 470, or more than four times as many according to population. The Province of Quebec received from liquor licenses for their fiscal year ending June 30 last, \$533,135, and for the previous year, \$536,882. In two years their receipts from this

source exceeded ours by \$527,076. They obtained in a single year from liquor licenses in the city of Montreal alone \$5,000 more than we obtained from the whole Province.

EDUCATIONAL RECEIPTS.

The receipts of the Education Department amounted to nearly \$48,000, which is 6,000 in excess of the receipts of last year. These receipts are made up of the most part of fees paid by teachers presenting themselves for examination, and fees paid by pupils at the Normal Model, and Kindergarten Schools at Toronto and Ottawa. In these receipts is included also an item of \$1,313, representing subscriptions for the year, of our superannuated teachers. During the last six years these subscriptions have averaged \$1,461 a year. For the preceding period of six years, namely from 1881 to 1886, inclusive, they averaged nearly ten times as much, or, to be exact, \$14,272 a year. The reasons for this great reduction are briefly as follows:—Subscriptions to the fund first became compulsory in 1871, and from that year to 1880, inclusive, they averaged \$12,428 a year. The last year for compulsory payments was 1885, and the old subscribers paid up their arrears in 1886. On the other hand, our payments to superannuated teachers have been steadily increasing. We paid in 1892 \$63,750, a larger sum than was ever paid in any previous year. It is very probable that we have nearly, if not fully, reached high water mark, and that these payments will in a few years materially decrease. We have paid to our worn-out teachers—and of course I do not refer to it complainingly—since 1872 more than \$965,000.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

We received as revenue from our public institutions \$136,406, and this is the largest amount we have ever received from them. It is twice as much as we received in 1880, or any preceding year. Nearly \$77,000 came from our five asylums, \$56,000 from the Central Prison, and \$3,000 from our two reformatories. In this item of receipts, the fluctuating factor is the Central Prison. It will be noticed that our estimate of a year ago as to these receipts was singularly accurate.

CASUAL REVENUE.

We received in 1892 as casual revenue \$70,257, and under this head we group our receipts from a variety of sources. They do not seem to admit of a more convenient classification. They are constantly growing, last year's receipts being \$16,000 more than those of the previous year. Our estimate fell far short of our actual receipts. They have increased more than 100 per cent in ten years. Of two or three of the items only need I speak at any length. We received in 1892 as fees and assessments through our Insurance Department, \$16,774, being more than four times the amount ordinarily received. Our Insurance Corporations' Act of 1892 accounts for the increase. Prior to the passing of this Act only one class of insurance corporations contributed to our revenue, viz., insurance companies licensed and inspected by the Province. The contributions of this class of companies, consisting of fees and an annual assessment based on the sums they had at risk, were not affected by the Act of last session. The Insurance Corporations' Act of 1892 gave us three new classes of contributories:—

- (1) Insurance companies licensed and inspected by the Dominion Government.
- (2) Friendly societies.
- (3) Agents of life and accident insurance companies.

Our receipts under this Act of 1892, consisting of application fees, certificate fees and agents' fees, amounted to nearly \$13,000.

SUCCESSION DUTIES.

The receipt of \$758 as succession duties calls for more than ordinary notice. This is the first fruit of our legislation of last session. It is a new and interesting item, and inasmuch as it will from year attain to greater and still greater proportions, I will be allowed to repeat some of the observations I made when the Act which provides for these duties was being discussed in the House.

It will be remembered that the preamble of our Act recited that the Province expends very large sums annually for asylums for the insane and idiots, and for institutions for the blind and for deaf mutes, and towards the support of hospitals and charities, and declared it to be expedient to provide a fund for defraying part of the said expenditure by a succession duty on certain estates. Our contributions to asylums

and charities had been noticeably generous, and the demand upon the Treasury for these purposes was yearly increasing. The buildings which formerly sufficed to accommodate these afflicted classes became crowded, and it was absolutely necessary, therefore, to incur a very large capital expenditure in erecting a series of new buildings in different localities, and in otherwise providing the requisite increased accommodation. There had been no divergence of opinion in this House as to the necessity or wisdom or justification of such expenditure. This wealthy Province, it was felt, could not afford to turn a deaf ear to the cry of the distressed within its borders, or neglect in any way the afflicted in its midst. While we may regret that these expenditures have increased and are increasing, we cannot say that they ought to be diminished. We rather rejoice to know that we have been able to do so much to further a well-known, tried and proved means of benefiting mankind. At the same time we do not forget that we should always strive to mould our charitable work into as exact and intelligent and valuable a form as possible. No one in this House, no thoughtful, influential man outside of it, no newspaper in this Province, had either questioned these expenditures or called for their curtailment. As to this one subject, at any rate, party lines had been well-nigh completely effaced. To such proportions had these grants grown that to support the institutions referred to required a yearly expenditure of nearly \$900,000, a sum much in excess of our grants to civil government, legislation and administration of justice all combined. We were actually expending \$9 out of every \$11 of our Dominion subsidy for this one purpose. In fact during 1891 we spent for public institutions' maintenance, hospitals and charities and County Houses of Refuge, \$988,000, or nearly \$10 out of every \$11 of our Dominion subsidy. And we were doing this at a time when our revenue was in a sense stationary, circumscribed and inelastic, and the growth of the Province in a dozen different directions called here and there for increased expenditures. We had always been careful to economize whenever and wherever possible. There had never been either sign of waste or indication of extravagance. The subsidy we receive from the Dominion Government has remained at the same figure since Confederation. The founders of Confederation in fixing the amount, considered our population at the time, our requirements in the matter of local expenditures as well as the revenues which the Dominion at that date would

receive. The same considerations, if we were to urge them, would entitle us to a largely increased subsidy now. The population of Ontario has increased 718,230 since Confederation, and this involves a greatly increased and unavoidable local expenditure. During the same time the Dominion revenues have trebled and we get no share of the increase.

REVENUE PROBLEMS.

Ordinarily speaking, the revenues of a country do not grow in proportion to its population. We had therefore this problem to solve. We were expected to make from time to time new grants and to increase existing grants on a circumscribed and stationary revenue. There was no middle course, and we felt, therefore, fully justified in resorting to succession duties as a new and fair source of revenue. The whole subject of succession duties had received but little, I may say no attention, in this Province. It was, however, well understood in England, and in some of the most important and advanced of the United States and elsewhere. The abstract fairness of such duties had never been questioned. What is called "collateral succession," or the succession to property by indirect or remote heirs, had always been regarded as a fair subject for taxation. Indeed, learned jurists, able writers and sound political economists, in their advocacy of it, had urged more and more during recent years that it should be taken advantage of to a much greater extent than heretofore, and the reasons they urged were convincing and satisfactory. And where the scale of exaction is extremely moderate, as is the case under our law, no one would pretend that we were removing or diminishing in any appreciable degree inducements either to acquire property or to amass it. No one has ever disputed that the State has strong claims to intervene in certain cases. Through its varied machinery of government it preserves peace, enforces justice, and contributes in one hundred different ways to the production of wealth. And to the extent of these services it is a partner with every toiler in the community. The payment of these succession duties is a partial payment for these services. Our fellow-workers in the community in which we live, the country under whose care and protection we have prospered, the institutions, religious or educational, in which we have been trained and which command our respect and admiration, these surely have as

strong claims on us and on our property as collateral relations of the third or fourth degree, who may have always lived in a foreign land, with whom we have absolutely nothing in common, or whom perhaps we have never seen. The experience of other countries in the matter of succession duties encourages us to expect good results.

INHERITANCE ACTS IN ENGLAND.

In England the first Act levying these duties was passed in 1790, more than a hundred years ago, the amount of duty it imposed varying with the degree of relationship. The Act of 1790 was limited to collateral relations, but an Act passed in 1804 imposed 1 per cent. on successions to children and parents. The whole question was fully discussed in England in 1853, in which year all successions, landed property included, become liable to duty. For thirty-five years, namely, down to 1888, the scale of duties remained unchanged, the lineal issue or ancestor paying 1 per cent., the brother or sister or their descendants, 2 per cent., uncles and aunts and their descendants 3 per cent., and others still more remotely connected 10 per cent. The Act of 1888 made some slight increases in this scale of duties. It is a very noticeable and instructive fact that during the last fifty years in England the one point particularly discussed in connection with this subject, was the equitable distribution of these duties, the fairness of the scale of duties. That such duties could be reasonably and fairly imposed on successions to property in certain cases, on certain transfers of property, seems never to have been questioned or seriously argued. Although the economic conditions prevailing in England vary widely in many respects from those obtaining in a new country like ours, still the general principles underlying the whole question of succession duties remain the same and are applicable to both countries alike. The prevailing conditions in the important states of Pennsylvania and New York are in many regards precisely the same as our own, and some comment on their legislation on this subject will therefore be appropriate. In the state of Pennsylvania collateral inheritances have been subject to duties for sixty-six years, the original Act having been passed as long ago as 1826, and all estates real and personal, which exceed \$250 in value are liable to them. The rate of duty is 5 per cent., and the father or mother, husband, wife, children and lineal descendants are exempt. Brothers and

sisters are not exempt. The receipts in Pennsylvania have been very large, and they are constantly increasing. For the last six years they have been as follows :—

1886.....	\$662,085
1887.....	762,719
1888.....	713,194
1889.....	1,377,514
1890.....	670,088
1891.....	1,230,725

or an average of \$902,721 turned into the State Treasury for general purposes. For the eleven months of the fiscal year ending October 31st 1892, the amount received was \$1,069,558.37.

The Act now in force in the State of New York amending previous Acts was passed last year, and under it all transfers of property, real or personal, of the value of \$500 or over, whether under a will or in cases of intestacy, are subject to a duty of 5 per cent. In addition to those exempt under the Pennsylvania law, brothers and sisters are also exempt under the law in New York, with this important difference, that in New York State none of the exemptions apply to the transfers of personal property of the value of \$10,000 or more, these transfers being subject to a duty of 1 per cent. In Pennsylvania the exemptions apply to personal as well as to real property. The receipts in New York have been increasing by leaps and bounds. I will give them for the past six years :—

1887.....	\$561,716
1888.....	736,062
1889.....	1,075,692
1890.....	1,117,637
1891.....	890,267
1892.....	1,786,218

Our law exempts all estates which do not exceed \$10,000, and near relatives, such as father, mother, children, husband, wife, etc., pay no duties except when the estates exceed \$100,000. All property given or bequeathed for religious, charitable or educational purposes is also exempt. Hence it is plain that thousands of estates which pay duties in England, New York and Pennsylvania are altogether exempt from

duties under our Act. Our measure is extremely moderate, only large estates being affected by it, and the scale of duties it exacts being fair and reasonable.

The State of Maryland also has an Act relating to collateral inheritances, very similar in terms to that of Pennsylvania. The scale of exaction is two and a half per cent., the same parties are exempt, and all estates over \$500 are liable. This being one of the smaller States, with a population of only 1,042,392, its receipts under this Act will be a matter of special interest. They were for the years named as follows :—

1888.....	\$57,767
1889.....	56,392
1890.....	83,656
1891.....	67,738
1892.....	114,009

Several Provinces of the Dominion have passed Acts relating to succession duties in terms similar to our own, and there are manifest indications in other directions that legislation has by no means said its last word on this important subject.

PROBABLE INCOME.

A word as to what will be our probable receipts under the Act. It will be remembered that under section 12 the duties imposed by the Act shall be due and payable at the death of the deceased or within eighteen months thereafter. Our Act came into force July 1st, 1892, so that the year 1894 will, therefore, be the first year in which there will likely be steady, continuous receipts. We may receive this year as much as \$20,000. A comparison with New York and Pennsylvania, population being taken into account, will not assist us much in estimating our receipts for several reasons. In the first place they exact duties from very many estates which we exempt, and in the second place they have several very large cities, and to a much greater extent than here, huge business enterprises, powerful corporations and vast estates. The State of New York during the fiscal year ending Sept. 30th, 1891, gave from its treasury grants in aid to its institutions for the deaf and dumb, the blind, the insane, idiots, juvenile delinquents and for its houses of refuge \$818,777. During the same year it received from succession duties

\$890,267. From this one source of revenue, therefore, it was able to meet during that year all its grants to hospitals, asylums and refuges and still have to the good \$71,490.

The State of Pennsylvania for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30th, 1891, gave by way of grants to hospitals, asylums, homes and indigent insane the large sum of \$1,134,354. For the same year it received as revenue from collateral inheritances \$1,232,766, or nearly \$100,000 more than its total expenditure for hospitals, asylums and charities.

If we will receive, even after the lapse of a few years, enough to meet our grants to hospitals and charities alone (which taken together, amount to only one-fifth of our grants to asylums), we need not be disappointed. Our grants to hospitals and charities have averaged during the last five years \$129,338. Our Act was in force during the last six months of 1892, and for that period I can give honorable members some information which will enable them to estimate approximately our probable receipts. I have had returns sent to me from the Surrogate Registrars of the Province which I have had tabulated. From these returns it appears that during the last half of 1892 there were issued in the entire Province 1,327 probates and 729 letters of administration. Of all these representing as they do 2,056 estates, only 25, or one estate out of every 82, came within the provisions of our Act. Of these 25 so liable 6 belonged to the city of Toronto, 2 to the county of York, 2 to the county of Wellington, 2 to Perth, 2 to Lambton and 1 to each of 12 other counties. We have eleven cities in the Province, and in six of these no single estate came within our Act up to the end of 1892. Of 28 of our counties the same remark may be made. The total amount of duties accruing from the 25 estates referred to, representing our revenue for the period of six months, is somewhat over \$50,000. Nearly one-half of this sum will be paid by a single estate, the owner of which left neither wife nor child. In the case of eleven estates out of twenty-five, from which duty is payable, there was neither wife nor child to inherit. When we have had a few years' experience of the Succession Duties Act, we will all, I venture to say, agree in confirming the general verdict of other countries concerning it, and say that it works fairly, that it has no vexatious characteristics, that it is a just expedient of finance, and that it is as little burdensome as any substitute which could be devised.

SALE OF ANNUITIES.

We received as the proceeds of a sale of annuities \$160,000. Altogether we have had six of these sales. This last one resulted more favorably for the Province than any previous one, the purchaser realizing less than 4 per cent. on his investment. Honorable members will notice with satisfaction that whereas on each previous occasion we sold annuities to the amount of from \$240,000 to \$270,000, the amount sold last year was only \$160,000. This is due of course to the fact that our railway aid certificates which mature from year to year, are rapidly decreasing in amount. The annuities I am speaking of replace these maturing railway aid certificates, so that in selling annuities we do not add one dollar to our liabilities, nor do we decrease our surplus to the extent of a dollar. We postpone the payment of the railway aid certificates, and replace them with these annuities. From 1872 to 1883, inclusive, we each year promptly retired these railway aid certificates, which represent the railway obligations of the Province incurred in its pioneer days, our total expenditure for this one purpose for the period named being \$3,658,096. We also retired the certificates which matured in 1888, 1889 and 1890, and paid out in doing so \$744,645. In other words, in 15 years out of 21 we paid off our maturing railway certificates the day they became due. In six years only out of 21 have we postponed payment by means of our sales of annuities. We deferred payment during the years referred to because of our large exceptional expenditures during those years, such as that in connection with the construction of these new buildings. It will not be necessary to sell annuities this year or next year, inasmuch as we will have ample funds wherewith to retire the maturing railway aid certificates and meet all our other requirements.

To sum up what I wished to say as to our receipts for the year, I will only add, as honorable members will notice, that they are greatly in excess of our estimate. We estimated that we would receive \$3,266,572. We actually received \$4,457,478, a difference on the right side of \$1,190,906. I speak, of course, of ordinary receipts, and do not include payments made to us on account of drainage debentures, or the proceeds of our sale of annuities.

EXPENDITURE, 1892.

Civil Government	\$235,760 61
Legislation	132,597 76
Administration of Justice	391,689 80
Education	653,161 46
Public Institutions Maintenance	818,435 77
Immigration	8,334 86
Agriculture	167,282 14
Hospitals and Charities, including County Houses of Refuge	151,574 67
Repairs and Maintenance.....	61,133 92
Public Buildings	393,969 14
Public Works	21,824 85
Colonization Roads.....	103,655 39
Charges on Crown Lands	131,863 80
Refunds	21,912 11
Miscellaneous	117,815 98
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	3,411,012 26
Drainage Debentures.....	33,193 64
“ “ (Tile)	10,400 00
Railway Aid Certificates	158,189 58
Annuity “	70,200 00
New Parliament Buildings	323,212 17
Land Improvement Fund (Special)	2,049 74
University of Toronto	60,000 00
Stationery purchased	\$14,248 32
“ distributed	13,554 03
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	694 29
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	<u>\$4,068,951 68</u>

I will now speak briefly of the expenditures of 1892. Our expenditure for Civil Government was under the sum voted by \$3,800. It exceeded the expenditure of 1891 owing partly to the fact that a new department had been added, viz., the Bureau of Mines, which entailed an expenditure last year of \$6,161. The usefulness of such a bureau is not questioned. Indeed we are blamed for not spending more money in connection with the development of our mineral resources. Our first expenditure for the Bureau of Mines was in 1891, the amount being \$4,680, which, however, in that year was charged not under Civil Government, but under Crown Lands expenditure.

The volume of work in the Insurance Department has greatly increased, and this involves additional expense. This last increase is more than

counterbalanced, however, by the increased revenue derived from the same department, to which I have already alluded. As is to be expected, the work of the various departments is constantly expanding. An ever increasing volume of business requires more clerks from time to time. Within a period of five years, for example, the work in the Treasury Department has almost doubled. Within that time the number of letters received by the department and the number sent has more than doubled. In 1887 we issued 10,011 checks, and in 1892 14,678. The same statement applies to the other departments, and, if the work is to be efficiently done, an increased expenditure is unavoidable.

In making comparisons between different years as to the cost of Civil Government it must not be forgotten that our expenditures for salaries and expenses in connection with Education were not charged to Civil Government until 1879, and that the transferring of Mechanics' Institutes from Agriculture to Education in 1886 also added to the cost of Civil Government.

PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

The business of the Province is not being conducted in a more costly manner now than heretofore. From time to time we have been compelled to make provision for new services and to undertake new functions. We spent last year on account of the Provincial Board of Health \$8,075, a sum exceeding the average of the last five years by \$701. We cannot over-estimate the importance of the work assigned to this Board, of the vast interests committed to its keeping. At this very juncture we may well consider in what way its efficiency and usefulness may best be increased. The dread visitation of cholera of last year, from which this continent so fortunately escaped, and the fear that there may be a fresh outbreak as virulent and more widespread this year, demand unremitting care and caution on the part of all those whose duty it is in any way to safeguard the public health. Not only have we to keep in view the possibility of an outbreak of cholera; we must also remember that towards the close of last year and since that time both typhoid fever and diphtheria have been alarmingly prevalent in some of the large cities, such as Philadelphia and St. Louis, and that the supposed cause of these epidemics, namely, an impure water supply, may some day lead

to similar serious trouble nearer home. The members of this House can do much, our newspapers—the very best agency we have for educating the public in sanitary matters—are doing much in the way of spelling those prejudices which seem to interfere with the increasing usefulness of our Local Boards. It is to be hoped that our people will promptly aid the Local Boards in adopting every possible precaution so as to strengthen their defences and thus secure, comparatively speaking, at any rate, an immunity from some of the very worst forms of disease which afflict humanity.

Our Provincial Board, as we all know, has on more than one occasion during the ten years of its existence proved its usefulness. No matter how well-timed and excellent our health legislation may be, it can only produce the desired results through the active intervention of skilful experts who have specially devoted themselves to the investigation of the various conditions and circumstances which favor the diffusion or the prevention of disease. Our Board aims, as do all Health Departments, at making the sanitary experiences of every locality a guide for the local boards and authorities in every other locality. Its officers by investigating the causes of the prevalence of infectious diseases in this or that locality, by conference with the local boards, by examining the sanitary conditions, become skilful in pointing out the weak spots and determining the cause of the trouble. England furnishes the best possible illustration of the immense value of an efficient sanitary department and of the plain fact that sanitation and safety go together. That sanitary improvement in England has been marked is conclusively shown by the fact that the death-rate from cholera has rapidly diminished on the occasion of each successive outbreak. These outbreaks, occurring after intervals of several years, were equally virulent, so that the marked diminution in the death-rate could only be attributed to sanitary reform. No such diminution can be pointed to in other European countries where sanitary legislation has been less active and where efficient health departments have not been established. In the light of last year's experience we may rejoice to know that an ever-increasing attention is being paid to matters of health and quarantine, and that the gospel of pure water, efficient drainage and cleanliness generally is being vigorously preached almost the whole world over.

THE PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT.

For legislation we spent nearly \$8,000 more than our estimate. We did not spend all that the House authorized as to some items such as salaries and the library. On the other hand the stationery, printing and binding accounts were unusually large. It is in the power of the House and of the Printing Committee to limit and control these items. If extensive returns and voluminous reports and large editions of them are insisted on, the responsibility in connection with the extra expense incident to printing and binding cannot fairly be charged to the Government. I do not say that the extra printing in connection with our work of last session involved a waste of money. For example, the statutes of last session contain 1,000 pages, being twice as many as the volume of the previous year. The volumes for 1888 and 1889, taken together, contain only 642 pages. The cost of printing the statutes of 1892 was \$7,394. The 1891 volume cost only \$3,580. Last year's volume is the largest we have ever published. The volume containing the Consolidated Municipal and Assessment Acts, so useful to all municipal officers and the public generally, cost over \$1,500. In 1887 we had six volumes of sessional papers, containing 4,392 pages. In 1892 we had eight volumes, containing 5,830 pages. The printing and binding of the six volumes cost \$4,704, while the cost of the eight volumes was \$6,867. The number of the reports and other official documents published for the Legislative Assembly and the Departments has been steadily increasing. There has been an increase in the number of more than 50 per cent. since 1887. The number published last year exceeds that of 1891 by 32,000. We spent for publishing these reports \$12,600 more in 1892 than we did in 1887.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

For administration of justice we spent \$391,609, being \$7,279 less than we spent in 1891. Of this amount, some of the largest items are: \$158,085 spent on criminal justice account; \$58,676 in the maintenance of the different Courts and payment of officials at Osgoode Hall; \$25,000 given to Surrogate Judges as commutation for fees; \$60,000 to the seven districts, Algoma, Thunder Bay, Rainy River, Muskoka, Nipissing, Haliburton and Manitoulin; \$17,100 to the Deputy Clerks of the Crown; \$10,700 to shorthand reporters; \$8,882 to Crown Coun-

sel prosecutions ; \$5,275 to Local Registrars, and \$4,899 to Sheriffs. A moment's consideration of these items reminds us that all these expenditures very directly tend to lessen the burden which would otherwise fall on the municipalities.

FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

We spent last year for educational purposes \$653,161. This Legislature, in the matter of educational grants, has always been extremely liberal. We may in this House differ as to the relative importance of this or that branch of our system, and some may contend that we should increase our grants in this or that direction, but no one ever complains that our total appropriation is too generous. We are happily agreed as to the main consideration ; our differences concern only matters of detail. Not a few of us may think, for example, that we attempt (and I now speak of our public schools, which should be, of course, our chief concern) to do too much, that the programme of studies is too diffuse, that there is undue haste and hurry at the expense of thoroughness and utility. In a comparatively new country, where leisure and luxuries have as yet but little place, our first and constant aim should be to secure thoroughness in all the rudimentary studies, and in this way and to this extent, at any rate, to reach every child in the State. Of our total educational grant, \$4 out of every \$5 was given to our public schools. We have, as results show, fully appreciated the very prominent place they must ever fill in any sound system of education. Hon. members must have noticed that there has been, recently, considerable discussion across the lines concerning the Public School system there in vogue, its evils, its merits, its defects. Dr. J. M. Rice, whose opinion in such matters is entitled to great weight, was during last year deputed under the auspices of The Forum to visit and report upon the schools of the leading cities in the United States. He spent five months engaged constantly in this work, and visited the schools in 36 cities, observing critically and carefully the teaching and methods of more than 1,200 teachers. His comments and criticisms have, as would be expected, excited considerable discussion, and must result in great good. His report is, all things considered, very disappointing to all those who had fondly cherished the delusion that their system had almost attained to absolute perfection. He complains, for example, that chaos is the chief

characteristic of their system, and by that he means that each city and county may have a different aim, and that there is therefore no attempt at healthy uniformity. He states that the teachers themselves furnish the greatest problem, and he laments the fact that so many teachers in the schools he visited were untrained. The main remedy he suggests is the employment of professionally trained teachers, and none others, and he recommends also additions to the supervisory or inspectoral staff. We can all agree with him in attaching as a consideration of the first importance great weight to the qualifications, literary and professional, of our teachers, and we can congratulate ourselves that we have made an earnest and systematic attempt, at any rate, in the direction of securing for our every school professionally trained teachers. For example, 80 per cent. of all the teachers in the state of New York, 36 per cent. of those in Massachusetts, and 79 per cent. of those in Pennsylvania (I speak of the year 1891), had not received any professional training. Through our Normal and County Model Schools we give professional training to every one of our teachers. Our two Normal Schools at Toronto and Ottawa are each year adding largely to our army of professionally trained teachers. During the last three years these two schools issued certificates to 1,203 teachers. Of these 1,203 teachers, 873, or 72 per cent., were females. At the rate of 400 a year the ranks of the profession are being filled up with this very valuable contingent. In 1891 we had 8,336 teachers, and I am glad to say that 2,898 of them, or 35 per cent., had received professional normal school training. Of these 8,300 teachers, only 1 out of every 33 held a first-class certificate, while 3 out of every 8 held a second-class, and more than one-half of them a third-class certificate. Much remains to be done, I am free to admit, in improving the quality of the training now given. I hope the Minister, who has accomplished so much in this and other directions, may find a way to lengthen the Model School term, to broaden its curriculum, and otherwise add to its usefulness. Let us not forget that our public school teachers receive their training in our High Schools, and that the influence of the High Schools in this way reaches every school section in the Province. From a public school standpoint therefore we must maintain and increase in every way possible the efficiency of our High Schools.

I may say in passing that the average salary paid to our teachers exceeds that paid in New York, Pennsylvania or Massachusetts, three of the most progressive and important States of the Union.

A HIGH STANDARD.

To build up our public schools, and thus to accomplish the greatest good for the greatest number, we must pay marked attention to the examination of our teachers, to the frequent supervision of their work through competent inspectors, as well as to the work of our county model schools. As a proof that we have kept these main considerations well in view, I will point to our increased expenditure in these three directions. For these objects we spent in 1892 \$36,376 more than in 1882. Or, consider the expenditure in detail under these three heads :—

In 1882 we spent for inspection of public schools.	\$31,474
In 1892.....	54,893
In 1882 we spent for examination of teachers....	10,478
In 1892.....	20,745
In 1882 we spent for county model schools.....	10,350
In 1892.....	13,040

For education generally we spent in 1890 \$626,142; in 1891, \$645,115, and in 1892 \$653,161. Our expenditure for public schools has increased by \$50,000 during the last five years.

CARE OF THE DEPENDENT.

For Public Institutions' Maintenance we spent last year \$818,435. Of all our ordinary expenditure for the year, nearly one dollar out of every four dollars went for this purpose. We have, sir, I think, just reason to be proud of our numerous public institutions, meeting, as they do, our every need; of their excellent equipment, of their careful supervision and efficient management. I have on a previous occasion pointed out that this large expenditure is growing from year to year, and that it must continue to increase from time to time, so long as the number of our insane continues to increase.

In 1886 there were in our asylums 3,090 patients; in 1887, 3,132; in 1888, 3,386; 1889, 3,468; in 1890, 3,632; in 1891, 3,888; in 1892 4,072; and this represents an increase of $31\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. in seven years.

With our new buildings at Mimico, where we have eleven cottages, the comfortable homes of our chronic insane, and at Orillia, we have overtaken present needs. At Mimico 531 patients were cared for last year, and at Orillia 497. We will no longer hear of the detention of insane persons in our gaols, a matter which, until recently, has been the subject of more or less complaint. We promptly provided last year accommodation for all patients who were fairly entitled to asylum treatment. We have had ample accommodation in reserve, as well for the 60 or 70 patients who were out on probation, and who are always re-admitted without notice. Work has been begun on the new asylum at Brockville which, with its main building and six cottages included, when completed, will accommodate 530 patients. We have therefore well overtaken the demands so forcibly made upon us during recent years.

The per capita cost of maintenance at our asylums last year was \$135.15. In 1891 it was \$144.38. This is much lower than the per capita cost at similar institutions in the United States.

FOREIGN-BORN INSANE.

We had, as I have said, in our asylums on 30th September last 4,073 patients. Those who deplore the fact that the number is so large, and that it is increasing, will be interested in learning that of this number, 1,636, or 40 per cent, were foreign-born. According to our last census returns, only 20 per cent. of the population of the Province is foreign-born. While therefore, 80 per cent. of our total population was born in Canada, only 60 per cent. of the inmates of our asylums was born in Canada. The number of the insane in the Province of Quebec, is also increasing year by year. In our asylums we care for one out of every 526 of our whole population. In Quebec the proportion is one out of every 476. In Great Britain, also, the progressive increase of insanity is very noticeable, and is regarded as an alarming evil. The number of the insane in that country has more than doubled during the present generation. In Ireland there is one pauper insane person to every 280 of the population, the proportion in England being one to every 335, and in Scotland one to 392.

LIBERAL GRANTS.

Our grants to our asylums greatly exceed the grants given by the Quebec Government. While we spent for their maintenance in 1891,

\$548,630, and in 1892 \$551,201, Quebec spent \$268,631 in 1891, and \$298,834 in 1892. In the last two years we spent in this direction \$532,366 more than the Quebec government. The number of inmates in our deaf and dumb and blind asylums, on the other hand, is, I am glad to say, not increasing. The number for last year was 386, and in 1891 it was 393. The same remark may be made of our penal institutions, the Central Prison and the two reformatories. In fact, while the number in these was 737 in 1891, it was only 636 in 1892. If we review the last six or seven years, the result is that both as to our deaf and dumb and blind asylums and our penal institutions the number of inmates is either stationary or decreasing.

We voted for Agriculture \$174,595, and of this we spent \$167,282. We spent nearly \$20,000 more for this vastly important service than we did in 1891, and \$41,000 more than we did in 1890. Nearly \$91,000 was distributed amongst the district and other societies, and \$53,000 was spent in connection with the Farm and College at Guelph. The printing of bulletins and reports in larger numbers than heretofore, and the general work, so much appreciated, of the Bureau of Industries, cost us nearly \$13,000. For the travelling dairy we spent \$6,300, and from all directions we hear highly complimentary reports of the excellent work it has accomplished. Our revenue for the year from the College was \$6,961, and from the Farm \$10,164, and these amounts considerably exceeded the expectations of the Minister. We spent for Farmers' Institutes \$8,191, nearly \$2,000 more than our vote. At the same time our total expenditure for Agriculture was, as I have stated, within the sum voted by the House.

It will be noticed that our ordinary expenditures are classified under fifteen leading heads, such as Civil Government, Legislation, etc. As to no less than thirteen of these we have kept within the estimate, and spent less than the House authorized us to spend. The House voted for these different services \$3,599,907, and of that sum \$138,785 remained unused at the end of the year.

A REVIEW.

Our estimated receipts for the year were \$3,266,572. Our actual receipts were \$4,457,478. We therefore on the one hand received \$1,190,906 more than we expected, and on the other spent \$138,785 less.

than we voted. Further, our total ordinary and special expenditures for 1892 were less than those of 1891 by \$94,502. When we take into account our abnormally large capital expenditures for public buildings, and our other exceptional expenditures, this statement will, I know, be received with great satisfaction. In the last five years we have spent on public buildings alone \$2,069,237. During the preceding period of five years we spent \$983,772. We spent more than twice as much in this way during the last five years as we did during the preceding period. Nor has anyone said, nor will anyone now say, that a dollar of this vast expenditure was useless or uncalled for. On these new buildings alone we spent last year \$323,202, or more than \$1,000 a day for each working day of the year. Up to the end of 1892 we have spent upon them \$1,107,600. As to their cost, their excellence of design, their structural conveniences, their solidity of finish, their adaptability to our needs generally, we freely invite, nay, we challenge, inspection, criticism and comparison. (Applause.) They are an ornament to this city, a credit to the Province and a lasting monument to the ability and integrity of the Commissioner of Public Works. (Renewed applause.) To the Commissioner himself, and to this, the most important of the several large public buildings erected during his long and honorable term of office, I may well apply the words spoken of another on a similar occasion, and say that the whole of the money placed in his hands has been administered with a single eye to the promotion of the objects for which it was given. It has paid no toll on the way, undergone no diminution, but has been wholly applied to public purposes, nor has there been any sign of carelessness in its administration.

LARGE PUBLIC WORKS.

Those who wish fairly to review our finances will keep in mind the fact that we have spent within the last few years on three large buildings just completed over \$2,000,000. I refer to these buildings we now occupy and to the Mimico and Orillia asylum buildings. No one with any pretence to honesty can fairly discuss our finances without special allusion to these large capital expenditures, which every one in this House now approves of, and which were not undertaken one day too soon. No part of Her Majesty's Empire, no State in the Union, can, all things considered, boast of

public buildings surpassing ours in point of number, convenience, excellence of finish or equipment. To attempt to review our finances and to keep out of sight our vast outlay of money in railway aid, in public works, on public buildings and their up-keep, is misleading and dishonest.

Mention will be made of our railway obligations. Overlooking for one moment the fact that they are future and not present obligations, and also that they are rapidly diminishing in amount, and that we have paid off by far the greatest part of them, let me remind the House that we have in these three buildings alone to which I have just alluded assets more than sufficient to counterbalance all our obligations of every kind, present and future, railway and otherwise, and these three buildings form but a small fraction of our assets.

OTHER LARGE EXPENDITURES.

I have thus far been speaking of ordinary expenditures. Outside of these we have large exceptional expenditures incurred for special purposes. For example, there is \$60,000 given last year to the University. We gave \$100,000 in 1891, and this \$60,000 is in full of the amount we voted in consequence of its disastrous loss by fire. We invested \$43,593 in loans to municipalities for drainage purposes, and we paid \$158,189 to meet our railway obligations. Of this last sum we paid \$142,618 to retire maturing railway certificates and \$15,571 as a direct cash payment to the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western railway, this amount representing the subsidy we voted for its last five miles. Instead of issuing certificates and postponing payment we made a cash payment in full of the sum we voted.

We paid for railway certificates in 1891 \$252,179. The difference between this sum and the amount paid in 1892, being nearly \$100,000, is the measure of our improved position. Our railway load is that much lighter, and at the end of three years more will be again decreased. The payments to retire railway certificates for the next ten years will average \$141,605 per year less than those of the last ten years. The payments for annuities will average \$34,940 a year more for the same period. Taking both together, railway aid certificates and annuities, our burden for the next ten years will be \$106,658 a year lighter than for the past ten years.

There are several other exceptional expenditures, such as \$10,000 for the relief of the sufferers through the St. John's fire, \$14,140 for the Columbia Exposition and \$6,419 for the Imperial Institute Exhibit, these items appearing under the head of Miscellaneous Expenditure.

ASSETS OF THE PROVINCE.

1. DIRECT INVESTMENTS :—

Dominion 6 per cent. bonds.....	\$ 200,000 00
Drainage, 5 per cent. debentures, invested 31st December, 1892.....	\$230,755 15
Tile, 5 per cent. debentures invested 31st December, 1892	98,203 96
Drainage work—Municipal amounts	167,321 87
	<hr/> 496,280 48
	<hr/> \$696,280 48

2.—CAPITAL HELD AND DEBTS DUE BY THE DOMINION TO ONTARIO, BEARING INTER- EST :—

U. C. Grammar School Fund (2 Vic., Cap. 10).....	312,769 04
U. C. Building Fund (18 Sect., Act 1854)	1,472,391 41
Land Improvement Fund (see Award)...	124,685 18
Ontario's Share of Library do ...	*105,541 00
Balance of unpaid Subsidy and other credits	1,590,519 87
	<hr/> 3,605,906 00

Common School Fund :—

Collections by Dominion	1,520,950 24
Collections by Ontario, after deducting Land Improvement Fund, and 6 per cent. for collections to 31st December, 1889	936,729 10

2,457,679 34

Ontario's share, according to population, 1891	1,441,882 90
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5,047,788 90

Less Dominion bonds issued in 1891 in part payment of above	500,000 00
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4,547,788 90

3.—BANK BALANCES :—

Special Accounts.....	550,000 00
Current Accounts.....	63,787 89
	<hr/> 613,787 89

5,857,857 27

LIABILITIES OF THE PROVINCE AT PRESENT PAYABLE.

1.—BALANCE DUE TO MUNICIPALITIES <i>re</i> SUR- PLUS DISTRIBUTION.....		\$1,291 30
2.—LAND IMPROVEMENT FUND:—		
Balance due to Municipalities under 45 Vic., Cap. 3 and 49 Vic., Cap. 6.....	\$3,256 57	
Balance due to Municipalities under 54 Vic., Cap. 9	4,543 31	
	<hr/>	7,799 88
3.—QUEBEC'S SHARE OF COLLECTIONS BY ON- TARIO ON ACCOUN OF COMMON SCHOOL LANDS IN 1890-91-92:—		
Collections on lands sold between 11th June, 1853, and 6th March, 1861.....	\$24,748 36	
Less 6 per cent. cost of management....	1,484 90	
	<hr/>	23,263 46
Less one-quarter for Land Improvement Fund	5,815 86	
	<hr/>	17,447 60
Collections on lands sold since 6th March, 1861.....	7,198 20	
Less 6 per cent. cost of management....	431 89	
	<hr/>	6,766 31
	<hr/>	24,213 91
Quebec's proportion according to popula- tion, 1891		10,007 97
Total		<hr/> 19,099 15
Surplus of Assets after deducting Liabili- ties presently payable.....		<hr/> <u>\$5,838,758 12</u>

But little explanation is called for concerning our assets and liabilities. The amount we have invested in drainage loans to the municipalities does not vary much from year to year. We are increasing the loans on drainage debentures, while the amount due us on account of drainage works is decreasing from year to year. The Province has not been engaged in constructing drains during recent years, so that each year the amount due us on this account will be reduced.

The question of the amount of the trust and other funds which the Dominion holds for the Province will soon engage the attention of arbitrators, and I fully expect that in the financial statement of next year a recital of the progress made in the interval in adjusting and finally

settling all these matters of unsettled accounts in which the Dominion and the two Provinces are concerned will prove of unusual interest. The arbitrators held their first meeting last month in Ottawa and will meet again this month to hear counsel on an important branch of the case submitted to them. Chancellor Boyd, who has been appointed chairman, is the arbitrator for Ontario, Judge Burbidge of the Exchequer Court for the Dominion Government and Judge Cassault for Quebec.

The award which made a division of the assets of the old Provinces and the interpretation of some of the clauses of which is a matter in dispute, was made in 1870, and owing to objections on the part of Quebec it was referred to the Privy Council and by it confirmed in 1878. In the intervening years since 1870 several difficulties in the way of a settlement have been removed. All parties are, I think, now determined to hasten a settlement. I can assure the House that the Government will continue to do all in its power to facilitate the arbitration. Our case, and we all agree that it is one of momentous importance, is very safe in the hands of the Attorney-General.

We began the year with a credit bank balance of \$19,818. Our total receipts for the year were \$4,662,921, and our total expenditures \$4,068,951, so that at the close of the year we had on hand a cash balance of \$613,787. Of this amount we had \$550,000 on special deposit in our banks and \$63,787 deposited on a current account. In our statement of assets, as heretofore, we do not include, as we well might do, the value of the site of the old Parliament Buildings, which the Legislature authorized us to sell in anticipation of the construction of these new buildings. Nor do we include large sums due us as unpaid balances on Crown Lands. We do not include various other valuable assets, such as the numerous and expensive public buildings which we possess and which commercial corporations such as banks, loan and insurance companies always include in their statements of assets. This being kept in view, honorable members will, I am sure, notice with pleasure the fact that our surplus at the end of 1892 amounted to \$5,838,758.

THE COMING YEAR.

A few general words as to the anticipated operations of this present year and I will close.

As honorable members will notice, our estimated expenditure for the year is \$3,559,185. I can promise that our actual expenditure will, as in

former years, be kept well within this estimate. For agriculture, education and hospitals and charities we ask larger grants than heretofore. Increases in these services seem to be automatic and necessary.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS, 1893.

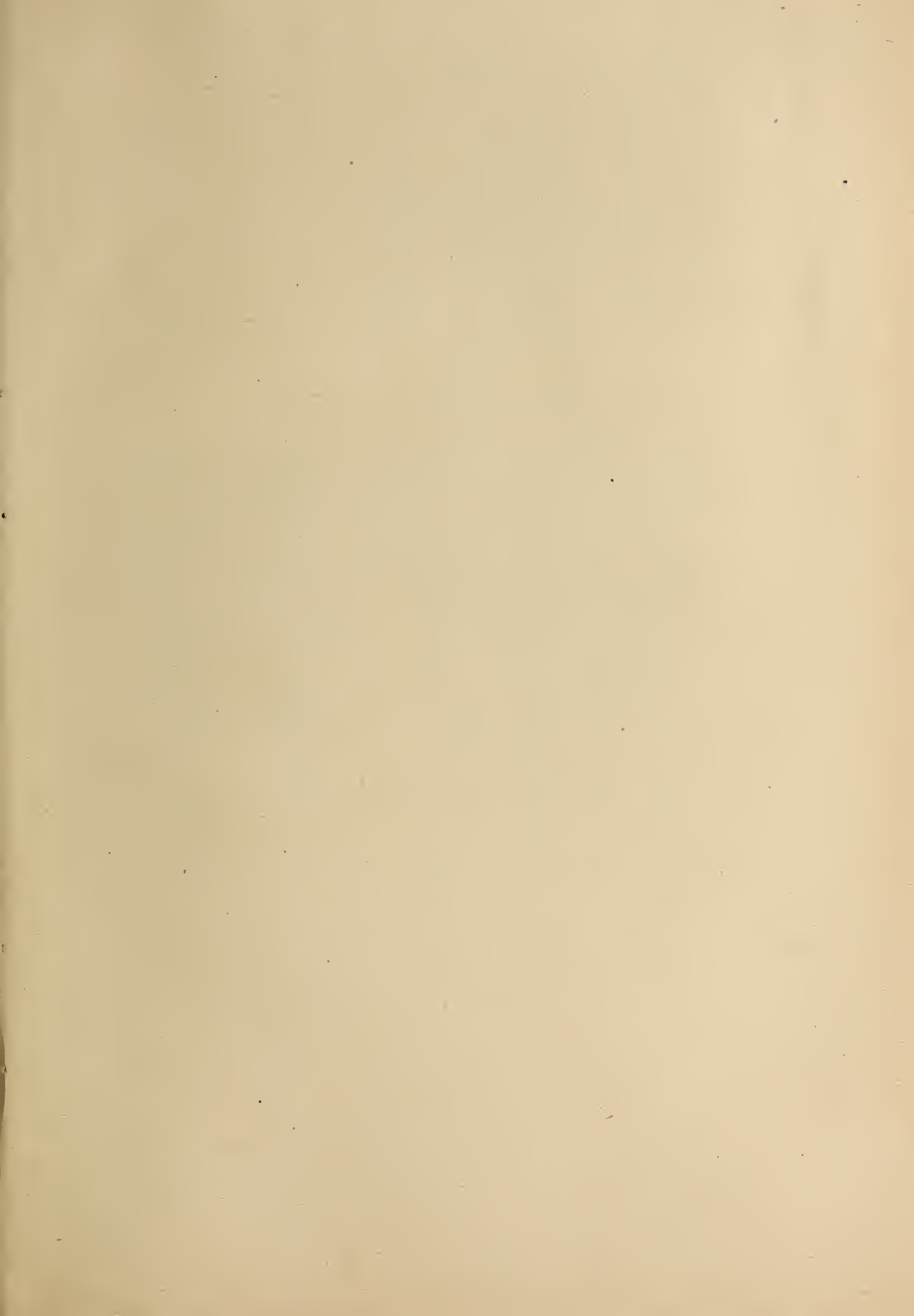
Subsidy	\$1,196,872 80	
Interest on Capital held, and Debts due by the Dominion to Ontario	\$275,000 00	
Interest on Investments	45,000 00	
		320,000 00
CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT:—		
Crown Lands	\$50,000 00	
Clergy Lands	5,000 00	
Common School Lands.....	10,000 00	
Grammar School Lands	1,000 00	
Woods and Forests....	1,734,000 00	
		1,800,000 00
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS:—		
Toronto Lunatic Asylum	\$38,500 00	
London “	16,000 00	
Kingston “	4,000 00	
Hamilton “	14,000 00	
Orillia “	2,500 00	
Reformatory for Females.....	3,000 00	
“ Boys	700 00	
Central Prison....	100,000 00	
		178,700 00
Education Department.....	45,000 00	
Casual Revenue.....	70,000 00	
Licenses.....	300,000 00	
Law Stamps.....	90,000 00	
Algoma Taxes	4,000 00	
Assessments, Drainage Works	17,000 00	
“ Insurance Companies	3,000 00	
“ Removal of Patients.....	6,000 00	
Total.....	\$4,030,572 80	

We estimate, on the other hand, that we will receive during this year \$4,030,572, an amount largely in excess of last year's estimate, as well as of the estimate of 1891. I am confident that actual results will prove it to be a careful and moderate estimate. We expect therefore to be able to provide, out of the ordinary receipts of the year, for all our ordinary expenditures, and in addition thereto retire the maturing railway certificates and annuities and still have a comfortable surplus on the year's transactions.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

In October, 1872, the Attorney-General took office, and from that date until now he has with untiring energy and unprecedented success devoted himself to the faithful discharge of the many and important duties of his high office. No other Premier, whether in England or in any of the colonies, has served the people as Premier so many consecutive years. Nor has the career of any other Premier been marked with more valuable or distinguished services. The past twenty years have been replete with change, progress and development, and from time to time we have been confronted with problems of such momentous importance to the Province that upon their satisfactory solution its welfare in a great degree depended. These problems have for the most part been happily solved. Contests in courts of law affecting most vitally and at different points our dearest interests have been forced upon us and verdict after verdict in these important issues must be placed to the credit of the Attorney-General. At one time he is called upon to resist an attempt to withhold from the Province one-half of its territory, at another time to repel an attack made against its legislative rights, and at all times the cause for which he pleads wins the victory. The line so difficult of demarcation, separating and distinguishing the respective spheres of jurisdiction of the Federal and Provincial Governments, has in some important particulars, at any rate, been well defined, and in this work in critical junctures of affairs his special tact and ability have been frequently displayed. The legislation of the Province these twenty years has, under his firm guidance, been prudent, opportune and progressive ; the administration of its affairs has been honest, efficient and sympathetic. A Premiership of such long duration, marked with such bright characteristics, is surely deserving of special comment.

Mr. Speaker, I move that you do now leave the chair.



STATEMENT of Receipts by the Treasurer of the Province

Years.	Dominion of Canada Subsidy and Specific Grant.	Dominion of Canada, Interest on Special Funds.	Dominion of Canada, Marriage Licenses and Municipal Loan Fund, etc.	Interest on Investments.	Crown Lands Department.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1867.....	40,000 00	.....	.....	.....	142,889 63
1868.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	134,874 23	5,031 25	632,113 65
1869.....	1,185,751 18	136,696 62	283 99	80,236 43	879,542 34
1870.....	1,076,729 84	136,696 62	37,654 05	146,123 65	736,426 10
1871.....	883,303 38	136,696 62	35,466 00	148,703 60	869,585 36
1872.....	903,303 38	136,696 62	35,361 00	221,757 95	1,437,372 52
1873.....	1,030,088 09	136,696 62	41,057 00	256,914 83	1,121,264 46
1874.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	248,130 68	717,248 28
1875.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	232,101 06	640,346 34
1876.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	164,170 43	640,015 92
1877.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	222,251 18	628,712 90
1878.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	156,251 46	445,278 92
1879.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	127,645 70	457,340 27
1880.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	198,437 42	616,311 96
1881.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	82,204 41	992,504 01
1882.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	101,927 93	1,095,152 24
1883.....	1,196,872 80	136,696 62	.....	76,324 28	635,447 25
1884.....	1,196,872 80	207,903 86	.....	57,521 79	570,305 41
1885.....	1,196,872 80	279,111 10	.....	50,284 86	736,864 95
1886.....	1,196,872 80	279,111 10	.....	55,893 63	814,813 28
1887.....	1,196,872 80	279,111 10	.....	66,169 32	1,113,142 77
1888.....	1,196,872 80	279,111 10	.....	*95,987 69	1,436,336 28
1889.....	1,196,872 80	280,000 00	.....	75,025 98	1,196,455 88
1890.....	1,196,872 80	300,000 00	.....	63,596 94	1,103,443 09
1891.....	1,196,872 80	300,000 00	500,000 00	41,023 31	1,159,681 75
1892.....	1,196,872 80	300,000 00	.....	36,739 31	2,252,972 27
Total	29,056,631 87	4,691,494 18	784,696 27	3,010,455 09	23,071,567 33

* Includes \$34,388.10 transferred from Drainage Works rent charges.
 " 5,971.49 " " Drainage Debentures.

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Licenses.	Law Stamps.	Algebra Taxes.	Education Department.	Casual Revenue.	Public Institutions.
\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....
.....	.....	95 34	24,742 06	43,011 33	8,591 90
58,924 74	42,989 55	2,664 11	24,976 07	12,870 33	8,780 65
60,652 26	78,477 94	2,547 56	26,649 17	20,810 91	19,457 90
58,558 55	77,650 97	5,014 12	35,450 65	23,567 20	20,675 07
75,355 96	87,165 88	7,685 27	53,797 58	26,776 99	25,295 66
82,152 78	95,249 08	3,801 90	51,480 21	77,355 83	31,664 51
115,499 17	75,164 01	5,571 43	55,307 31	28,548 80	30,700 99
107,590 10	63,950 93	5,045 45	57,808 25	24,178 85	27,832 30
85,257 56	66,055 26	4,993 07	57,805 65	19,457 23	34,210 75
78,820 96	68,756 99	1,032 35	57,781 38	29,526 35	39,875 07
75,529 85	66,291 82	585 76	51,793 61	20,293 25	67,971 26
85,220 17	71,383 83	9,943 96	47,961 95	26,642 32	66,089 42
91,207 68	66,984 00	1,863 92	44,284 27	29,592 91	63,982 54
91,604 01	57,502 10	16,210 64	31,450 42	32,752 50	98,782 01
92,360 72	52,399 89	14,099 22	30,052 86	30,578 77	79,646 00
96,460 50	61,845 02	4,106 02	28,175 25	29,578 83	93,846 43
211,353 71	66,599 98	2,215 85	37,969 35	33,426 45	110,211 68
162,330 07	66,988 02	1,620 38	38,749 72	39,556 48	99,112 62
211,162 76	62,291 65	13,143 40	38,229 50	42,572 83	89,220 09
202,455 56	68,439 88	15,247 60	24,807 59	44,589 95	84,004 34
233,785 59	81,044 50	2,275 73	33,173 74	46,819 02	99,320 21
302,734 44	84,841 65	3,911 49	35,359 71	53,310 44	131,199 56
312,007 55	90,343 93	2,093 10	36,661 61	52,015 99	105,663 43
298,183 96	84,557 67	4,155 63	41,766 92	55,861 80	130,234 83
294,757 98	91,617 56	4,172 55	47,949 68	70,257 03	136,406 44
3,483,966 63	1,728,597 11	134,100 85	1,014,184 51	913,962 39	1,702,775 66

STATEMENT of Receipts by

Years.	Public Buildings.		Refunds re Public Works.	Sale of Lands re New Parliament Buildings Fund.	Sale of Lands re Toronto Asylum.
	Insurance.	Refunds.			
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1867.....					
1868.....					
1869.....					
1870.....					
1871.....					
1872.....					
1873.....		3,713 14			
1874.....		1,810 20			
1875.....		1,233 04			
1876.....		26,487 50	137 84		
1877.....		11,925 71	117 16		
1878.....	9,000 00	5,138 46	521 91		
1879.....	6,900 00	625 63			
1880.....	1,500 01	29,338 20	18 00		
1881.....		1,140 19			
1882.....	1,500 00	707 95			
1883.....	9,798 02	34 88			
1884.....	753 36	645 60			
1885.....	5,000 08	202 15			
1886.....	21,608 11	6,155 48		15,716 67	
1887.....		200 00		122,211 57	
1888.....	1,616 36	4,000 09	400 00	28,861 71	30,471 81
1889.....	80 10	1,089 50		315 74	119,851 20
1890.....	15,359 06	2,913 50		315 74	82,976 87
1891.....		116 63		315 74	
1892.....		4,083 13		6,472 87	2,266 20
Totals.....	73,115 10	101,560 98	1,194 91	174,210 04	235,566 08

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Municipal Loan Fund.	Drainage Works rent charges.	Drainage Debentures.	Annuities.	Totals.
\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
68,178 56				182,899 63
191,463 28				2,250,207 74
158,469 70				2,625,179 29
38,508 10				2,500,695 70
50,179 16				2,333,179 62
28,951 26				3,060,747 97
831,909 33		1,125 60		2,961,515 31
652,505 49		2,888 31		3,446,347 93
113,444 44	16,211 71	10,444 58		3,156,605 81
	570 88	27,406 05		2,589,222 83
		29,625 69		2,502,566 04
10,288 82	11,883 40	30,780 13		2,285,178 07
1,652 36	15,289 70	37,681 66		2,287,951 39
51,735 35	19,734 97	35,609 11		2,584,169 76
	9,029 27	41,997 80		2,788,746 78
	6,547 55	41,907 85		2,880,450 40
31 66	24,975 86	45,748 00		2,439,941 42
4,476 20	26,044 19	43,611 55	250,643 67	2,820,555 45
2,647 96	18,079 29	37,100 54	271,399 69	3,005,920 71
	18,523 17	44,502 97	238,842 57	3,148,660 01
25,000 00	4,447 79	38,250 76	242,626 92	3,527,577 95
4,000 00		29,185 51		3,603,262 14
850 00	17,486 76	39,019 83		3,538,405 08
	17,726 97	41,159 41		3,423,154 99
	14,299 80	42,518 25	269,000 00	4,138,589 09
	12,910 45	45,437 09	160,006 21	4,662,921 57
2,234,291 67	233,761 76	666,000 69	1,432,519 06	74,744,652 68

STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Treasurer of the Province

Years.	Civil Government.	Legislation.	Administration of Justice.	Education.	Public Institutions Maintenance.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1867.....	18,219 47	14,938 95	4,812 18	.....	.....
1868.....	90,959 62	85,949 18	171,995 81	321,582 20	152,936 19
1869.....	81,897 03	82,941 22	172,656 33	276,146 70	146,776 73
1870.....	104,909 35	37,487 87	180,004 02	315,887 92	157,925 80
1871.....	114,613 99	94,177 28	182,621 71	351,306 40	171,423 17
1872.....	142,218 85	99,559 42	191,647 66	421,703 53	214,967 89
1873.....	156,646 82	120,400 68	204,604 84	462,963 22	234,040 76
1874.....	159,180 49	176,289 79	208,373 36	487,444 80	286,088 12
1875.....	155,526 16	66,263 43	219,462 91	503,311 77	362,710 51
1876.....	155,365 59	106,940 56	286,591 40	524,493 51	368,046 02
1877.....	159,996 43	122,321 21	277,302 47	550,984 36	427,044 74
1878.....	158,721 64	126,463 03	295,369 52	556,056 84	482,466 76
1879.....	154,276 84	114,072 98	274,013 22	527,097 24	469,190 80
1880.....	173,732 67	111,585 44	265,070 31	505,104 86	505,598 41
1881.....	174,803 12	178,954 85	251,119 10	502,824 31	551,663 61
1882.....	190,739 55	165,016 04	262,731 46	511,268 48	608,387 17
1883.....	202,898 00	133,366 83	275,244 94	513,347 65	648,995 63
1884.....	179,825 23	141,440 28	331,026 69	531,651 00	600,216 15
1885.....	184,254 70	125,762 04	354,923 35	533,564 46	613,570 89
1886.....	183,049 56	115,612 22	346,641 16	568,112 13	609,228 66
1887.....	189,289 57	123,002 46	324,495 09	570,760 42	650,744 62
1888.....	200,685 25	127,030 77	373,898 80	579,443 80	721,602 69
1889.....	211,761 68	119,938 69	366,252 24	598,238 32	728,909 61
1890.....	219,563 77	121,475 97	391,006 00	626,142 93	769,905 68
1891.....	221,126 28	123,601 03	398,968 79	645,115 23	820,516 68
1892.....	235,760 61	132,597 76	391,689 80	653,161 46	818,435 77
Totals... ..	4,220,022 27	2,967,189 98	7,002,523 16	12,647,713 54	12,121,393 06

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Immigration.	Agriculture and Arts.	Hospitals and Charities.	Repairs and Maintenance, Public Buildings.	Public Buildings.	Public Works.
\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
.....	4,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	69,634 00	39,000 00	.....	125,846 29	.....
17,595 00	71,151 41	44,000 00	.....	238,865 50	21,187 39
32,087 65	68,072 20	42,510 00	.....	282,908 52	124,825 77
29,712 56	76,277 90	40,260 00	.....	296,076 98	134,543 47
57,750 49	81,612 10	42,100 00	.....	206,071 83	60,693 12
159,178 55	82,817 93	43,020 00	.....	472,859 50	81,530 21
134,640 66	86,438 24	43,020 00	.....	291,558 14	117,880 14
94,060 53	94,444 83	52,346 16	.....	125,059 05	25,515 32
45,201 10	97,348 42	65,495 07	.....	265,743 47	33,205 35
46,265 34	97,234 55	64,151 48	.....	280,020 66	30,666 56
31,975 09	97,028 62	70,673 19	.....	384,919 18	26,313 26
39,650 12	105,900 80	73,720 44	.....	140,190 90	26,867 27
52,982 19	107,282 72	72,832 63	.....	141,361 12	26,375 31
34,826 37	106,936 01	78,092 75	.....	144,552 28	24,369 94
30,414 67	131,182 53	78,095 79	.....	129,226 17	20,140 25
47,764 41	139,725 95	80,600 53	.....	129,859 08	41,062 43
43,369 92	195,362 64	94,218 83	70,149 91	235,517 24	27,717 40
19,088 11	159,576 45	96,421 28	62,601 54	155,720 29	38,690 80
16,837 40	125,712 06	103,416 19	57,650 91	227,893 19	51,763 07
11,795 94	130,567 14	106,230 62	63,250 15	234,782 69	40,990 23
7,952 39	139,054 46	113,686 14	69,229 54	291,423 56	42,870 71
6,849 90	138,787 58	120,402 48	64,732 60	518,407 39	23,071 66
5,585 98	127,906 21	126,037 38	63,600 83	453,188 51	34,715 38
6,628 94	149,535 42	{ 134,992 89	59,667 39	412,243 77	35,126 67
		{ *32,750 00			
8,334 86	167,282 14	151,574 67	61,133 92	393,969 14	21,824 85
980,548 17	2,850,872 31	2,009,648 52	572,016 79	6,578,264 45	1,111,946 56

*Houses of Refuge.

STATEMENT of Expenditure

Years.	Colonization Roads.	Charges on Crown Lands.	Refunds.	Statute Consolidation.	Miscellaneous.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1867.....	2,608 77	9,674 42	2,416 18	.....	.....
1868.....	36,901 15	30,190 14	13,229 39	.....	31,045 20
1869.....	35,589 94	46,341 69	183,341 01	.....	27,261 78
1870.....	50,000 00	68,163 07	92,631 40	.....	21,563 08
1871.....	55,409 04	46,306 94	186,241 25	.....	37,813 42
1872.....	75,799 19	95,750 68	128,864 70	.....	26,029 61
1873.....	145,950 00	110,491 66	168,848 52	.....	16,859 54
1874.....	90,762 43	78,968 02	163,568 70	.....	17,338 20
1875.....	103,511 89	67,249 89	107,669 78	.....	86,418 38
1876.....	85,931 43	70,769 60	57,392 09	.....	74,270 39
1877.....	77,300 00	78,469 56	103,428 63	.....	81,937 75
1878.....	85,612 48	70,509 14	61,591 24	.....	78,901 33
1879.....	114,564 13	67,776 17	53,421 26	.....	124,539 93
1880.....	96,839 99	59,046 47	34,558 23	.....	91,293 19
1881.....	97,289 80	67,592 98	42,207 85	.....	43,820 24
1882.....	110,650 00	83,547 16	41,348 93	.....	66,806 61
1883.....	123,497 47	67,131 26	40,960 29	.....	103,717 15
1884.....	185,772 55	103,006 53	46,006 70	.....	84,754 05
1885.....	121,435 32	96,573 08	31,023 41	2,339 65	97,980 53
1886.....	145,213 80	91,092 98	24,214 58	17,666 37	86,326 92
1887.....	122,974 78	94,538 80	24,729 21	27,759 27	148,802 97
1888.....	112,273 56	96,734 47	27,903 63	31,394 99	80,838 65
1889.....	103,666 63	101,775 68	18,024 87	781 97	69,013 63
1890.....	125,233 26	125,172 23	26,168 14	.....	151,983 39
1891.....	98,312 31	171,666 47	30,563 74	.....	87,916 07
1892.....	103,655 39	131,863 80	21,912 11	.....	117,815 98
Total	2,506,755 31	2,130,402 89	1,732,265 84	79,942 25	1,846,047 99

by the Treasurer.—*Continued.*

Aid to Railways.	Annuities.	Drainage Debentures—Municipal and Tile.	Drainage Works.	New Parliament Buildings.	Widows' Pensions.
£ s. c.	£ s. c.	£ s. c.	£ s. c.	£ s. c.	£ s. c.
.....
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.....
372,786 00
426,642 00	53,949 22
113,812 90	54,238 56
417,334 00	81,736 30	55,660 03
372,306 65	24,809 95	53,443 78
343,613 74	.....	49,243 25	11,425 96	.....	.....
232,529 05	.....	34,496 45	590 40	.....	.....
479,064 02	.....	86,602 39	.....	.....	.....
182,032 48	.....	51,279 30	.....	4,150 07	.....
205,528 37	.....	41,926 48	.....	112 00	.....
254,445 82	.....	37,519 47	.....	1,342 19	2,347 14
258,001 62	.....	31,294 83	.....	2,272 50	3,645 88
253,783 41	6,700 00	71,998 04	1,600 00	.....	3,284 84
250,808 01	20,400 00	40,223 78	.....	26 90	.....
247,982 14	33,550 00	27,926 56	.....	8,119 44	.....
247,982 14	45,950 00	30,166 39	.....	164 678 29	.....
247,982 14	52,200 00	58,784 92	.....	159,203 23	11,041 15
247,982 14	52,200 00	26,627 88	.....	143,167 35	1,764 07
248,681 74	52,200 00	85,654 56	.....	142,102 42	.....
252,179 74	59,200 00	62,887 83	.....	208,348 43	.....
158,189 58	70,200 00	43,593 64	.....	323,212 17	.....
5,813,667 69	392,600 00	994,959 80	122,720 17	1,156,734 99	22,083 08

STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Treasurer.—Continued.

Years.	Municipal Loan Fund Dis- tribution.	Common School Fund -- on account Quebec's share.	Land Improvement Fund -- Held by the Dominion -- Paid with interest to the Municipalities.	University of Toronto.	Totals.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1867.....					56,669 97
1868.....					1,179,269 17
1869.....					1,445,751 73
1870.....					1,578,976 65
1871.....					1,816,784 11
1872.....					2,217,555 07
1873.....					2,940,803 45
1874.....	1,361,101 59				3,870,704 14
1875.....	986,243 48				3,604,524 42
1876.....	452,151 28				3,139,505 66
1877.....	317,711 04				3,119,117 73
1878.....	108,171 15				2,902,388 37
1879.....	65,765 76	25,000 00			2,941,714 27
1880.....	22,061 41	15,000 00			2,518,186 80
1881.....	8,182 22	25,000 00			2,579,802 28
1882.....	57,458 73	25,000 00	111,158 79		2,918,826 95
1883.....	9,071 70	25,000 00	9,579 58		2,887,037 73
1884.....	150 00		338 26		3,207,889 67
1885.....	154 48	35,000 00			3,040,139 07
1886.....	377 51		93,062 84		3,181,449 69
1887.....	177 12	100,000 00	704 53		3,454,372 43
1888.....					3,545,234 85
1889.....					3,653,356 37
1890.....					3,896,324 38
1891.....			47,111 87	100,000 00	4,158,459 55
1892.....			2,049 74	60,000 00	4,068,257 39
Totals....	3,388,777 47	250,000 00	264,005 61	160,000 00	73,923,101 90

Total Receipts, 1867-1892, as per Statement..... \$74,744,652 68

Amount added to cost price of stationery supplied to
the Queen's Printer, see Auditor's Report,
Public Accounts, 1889, Fol. V.....

23,642 07

\$74,768,294 75

Total expenditure, 1867-1892, as per Statement.....	\$73,923,101 90	
Cash in banks, 31st December, 1892, current account.....	63,787 89	
Cash in banks, 31st December, 1892, special deposits.....	550,000 00	
Dominion bonds on hand, 31st Decem- ber, 1892.....	200,000 00	
Stationery on hand, 31st December, 1892, see Auditor's Report, Public Accounts, 1892, fol. 20.	31,404 96	
	<hr/>	\$74,768,294 75

Notes :

Education Office, Salaries and Expenses transferred from Education to Civil Government.....	1879
School of Science, Salaries and Expenses transferred from Public Institutions Maintenance to Education.....	1884
Mechanics' Institutes, etc., transferred from Agriculture to Education	1886
Expenses of Election transferred from Legislation to Mis- cellaneous.....	1875
Agricultural College and Farm transferred from Public Insti- tutions Maintenance to Agriculture.....	1884
Repairs, etc., Public Buildings under Departmental Expenses	1867-83
Consolidation of Statutes under Miscellaneous.....	1874-85
Drainage Works transferred from Miscellaneous to Public Works	1869
Commissioner of Agriculture appointed.....	1888
Bureau of Industries' officials transferred from Agriculture to Civil Government regular staff Department Agri- culture	1889
Mining Bureau under Crown Lands Expenditure	1891
do transferred to Civil Government.....	1892
Widows' Pensions transferred to Refunds—Municipalities Fund.....	1890

STATEMENT shewing amounts payable annually for Certificates, issued by the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario, for "Aid to Railways" and "Annuities."

Year.	Railway Aid Certificates.	Annuities.	Year.	Railway Aid Certificates.	Annuities.
	\$ c.	\$ c.		\$ c.	\$ c.
			<i>Forward</i>	1,137,849 12	1,484,000 00
1893	145,416 44	74,200 00	1913	13,992 00	74,200 00
1894	145,416 44	74,200 00	1914	13,992 00	74,200 00
1895	145,416 44	74,200 00	1915	13,992 00	74,200 00
1896	140,408 24	74,200 00	1916	13,992 00	74,200 00
1897	119,856 38	74,200 00	1917	13,992 00	74,200 00
1898	91,343 38	74,200 00	1918	13,992 00	74,200 00
1899	76,910 99	74,200 00	1919	13,992 00	74,200 00
1900	70,837 98	74,200 00	1920	13,992 00	74,200 00
1901	39,032 57	74,200 00	1921	13,992 00	74,200 00
1902	22,874 97	74,200 00	1922	13,992 00	74,200 00
1903	14,407 29	74,200 00	1923	13,992 00	74,200 00
1904	13,992 00	74,200 00	1924	13,992 00	67,500 00
1905	13,992 00	74,200 00	1925	13,992 00	53,800 00
1906	13,992 00	74,200 00	1926	13,992 00	40,650 00
1907	13,992 00	74,200 00	1927	13,992 00	28,250 00
1908	13,992 00	74,200 00	1928	13,992 00	22,000 00
1909	13,992 00	74,200 00	1929	13,992 00	22,000 00
1910	13,992 00	74,200 00	1930	13,292 40	22,000 00
1911	13,992 00	74,200 00	1931	9,794 40	15,000 00
1912	13,992 00	74,200 00	1932	2,798 40	4,000 00
<i>Forward . . .</i>	1,137,849 12	1,484,000 00	<i>Totals</i>	1,401,598 32	2,575,400 00

Note—Present value of Railway Certificates—(interest $2\frac{1}{8}$ per cent half-yearly) - - - - - \$998,784 47
Present value of annuities—(interest $2\frac{1}{8}$ per cent. half-yearly) - 1,337,323 93

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TORONTO, February 16th, 1893.